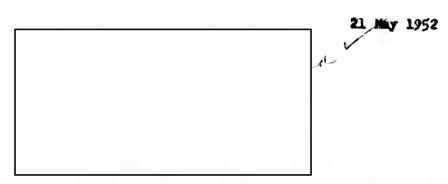
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Furing General Smith's temporary absence from the office, I wish to acknowledge your letter of 12 May 1952 concerning the facts connected with the disappearance of your humband and the other members of his crew. I wish that I could be of some assistance to you; however, I as afraid that I cannot.

While we have no way of knowing or finding out whether your husband was, as you believe possible, on anything other than a routing training flight, I can assure you that neither he not any member of his crew had any connection with the Central Intelligence Agency.

I deeply regret that I am unable to furnish you more favorable information.

Sincerely,

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Executive Assistant
to the Director

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